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LETTERS

Why a space station?

Why, when our nation and the present administration in Washington has decided to cut our defense spending by \$28 billion a year, are they planning a space station with a cost estimated at \$30 billion?

I cannot understand why our Congress and presidential administration would boast cuts here, and cuts there — cutting the financial throats of veterans and the other programs sliced from the budget.

It seems to me, and probably to others, that we can do without space stations and some of the other foolish things in our nation, which are eating up tax dollars faster than they come in.

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Six different prices

People should start shopping around when buying prescription drugs. They would be surprised at the difference in price of some medicines.

An example: a bottle of 30 Hismanal 10 mg. tablets. Six drug stores were surveyed and prices were as follows: \$39.55; \$29.85; \$34.47; \$40.70; \$33.99; \$41.18.

These were all local pharmacies.

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JFK assassination

I am writing in response to Brent Hughes's column on Nov.

23, entitled, "Where was Kennedy's body on that day?" Let me first of all congratulate Mr. Hughes on exposing some significant problems in Lifton's book, "Best Evidence."

I would go further and suggest Lifton is a fraud. Sometimes truth is indeed stranger than fiction. But I would suggest, if Mr. Hughes wants to expose frauds in the investigation of the assassination of JFK, that he look at his own FBI.

Having done extensive research on the assassination, and having read hundreds of FBI documents, including the FBI report released to the Warren Commission on Dec. 9, 1963, I can say without qualification that the FBI presented no credible evidence that the alleged assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, killed President Kennedy. The FBI report is so grossly deficient it fails to account for one of the wounds to President Kennedy (the wound to his throat) and it ignores one of the victims, a bystander by the name of James Tague.

To this day, the FBI and Secret Service account of the assassination are inconsistent with the conclusions of the Warren Commission. I believe the FBI investigation was properly characterized by Alex Rosen, who was then head of the General Investigative Division, when he said the FBI was "standing with pockets open waiting for evidence to drop in."

J. Edgar Hoover and his FBI never wanted an investigation

because they were convinced, regardless of the evidence, that Lee Harvey Oswald was guilty. If Mr. Hughes wants to examine any books for any future column, I suggest he read the works of Harold Weisberg and other responsible critics.

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